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**Foreign Patent Documents**

International Publication No. WO 98/27960, published on July 2, 1998.

Chinese Publication No. 120135A, published January 5, 2000 (with translation).

**Non-Patent Documents**

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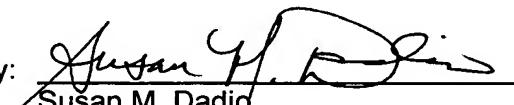
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